



Call for Proposals LAND/ART 2009

@ The Open Space Visitor Center

The Visitor Center is situated along the Rio Grande Bosque which includes several miles of dirt road and single track trail extending from the Visitor Center to the Rio Grande and through the wooded canopy of the riparian zone surrounding the river. The Bosque itself offers a variety of alluring exotic material such as Salt Cedar (Tamarisk), Russian Olive Tree, Elm Tree, Buffalo Gourds, Tumble Weed, Jetty Jacks and much more.

We are highly interested in hosting artists who can imagine and create work based on the use of exotic flora which is so prevalent in the Bosque and who can design functional or symbolic systems for water harvesting. Open Space will remain flexible with successful submissions concerning material, yet will try to maintain a "Tread Lightly" attitude in the interest of preserving vital Open Space habitat.

Artists will choose a site within the Visitor Center farm property or within the Bosque based on space, material and proximity to vital components of the proposed project. Once artists have been identified and given a site to create work, a map will be designed in order to direct visitors to the locations of each land art site.

The purpose of the Open Space Division is to acquire, protect, maintain, and manage significant natural landscapes and cultural resources for present and future generations. Major Public Open Space enhances the urban environment and provides wildlife habitat while offering opportunities for public enjoyment through outdoor education and low-impact recreation. The Visitor Center Property and Gallery act as an educational hub for the City's many Open Space properties.

Please Note: Applicants are asked to embody The City of Albuquerque's Open Space Mission Statement within their proposal. All submitted materials will be reviewed by a steering committee. If your application is selected you will be contacted via e-mail or phone.

E-Mail Submissions: Please submit images, drawings, or samples of your investigation into proposed subject matter in jpeg, tiff, or PDF format. Fill out the following application and send to jrwillis@cabq.gov. Include URL if you have a website.

Postal Submissions: Please submit images, drawings, or samples of your investigation into proposed subject matter and fill out the following application. Your submission will be placed on file and become property of the City of Albuquerque.

Mail to: Open Space Visitor Center PO Box 1293 Albuquerque, NM 87103

Name(s):

Address:

Contact Person and Phone:

Description of Land Art, material, and a detailed proposal for use of land:

Artist(s) Biography:

For inquiries concerning Open Space property, the gallery or application process please call the Visitor Center @ 505-897-8831 or write to jrwillis@cabq.gov. The Center is located on 6500 Coors Boulevard.